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Expedited Prosecution - Group Art Unit 1761

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
STEPHEN A. SCHROEDER ET AL.) : Examiner: Leslie A. Wong
Application No.: 09/903,710) : Group Art Unit: 1761
Filed: July 31, 2001) :
For: METHOD OF PREPARING LIQUID)
COMPOSITIONS FOR DELIVERY :
OF N-[N-(3,3-DIMETHYLBUTYL)-)
L- α -ASPARTYL]-L- :
PHENYLALANINE 1-METHYL)
ESTER IN FOOD AND BEVERAGE :
SYSTEMS) September 20, 2004

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

I. Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action

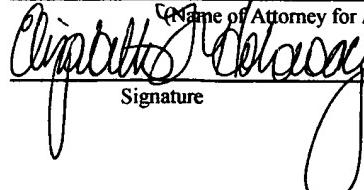
dated May 18, 2004, for one month from August 18, 2004, to September 18, 2004

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II. This is in response to the final Office Action dated May 18, 2004, the period for reply having been extended by the above petition and payment of the extension fee. Please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.